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THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (*a*) & (*b*) The bridge work has been completed up to deck level. A part of wearing cost, hand railing revetment guide bund formation and the formation of approaches are in progress. The work is expected to be completed by March 1959.

(*c*) Yes, Sir. A sum of Rs. 42,909 has been incurred by Government as extra cost.

(*d*) No, Sir. The contractors have already been penalised to the extent of Rs. 5,000 whenever slackness on their part was noticed.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : As this extra cost referred to in clause (*a*) is evidently due to the delay on the part of the contractor, will the Government consider the desirability of enforcing strictly the penalties according to the agreement and recover this amount from the contractor?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : We cannot say that. We have already penalised him.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Hon. Minister have the matter examined in the light of what I have stated?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : Yes.

Road between Tiruvallur and Arkonam

* 142 *Q.*—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any road is being formed between Tiruvallur and Arkonam; and

(*b*) if so, when the work was started and when it is likely to be completed?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (*a*) & (*b*) The work has not been commenced, as the grant promised by the Government of India was not made available. They have been addressed on the question of incurring expenditure initially from State funds to be recouped later from Central funds. Their reply is awaited.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Questions are over.

SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR : ஸார், இங்கு கொடுக்கப் பட்டிருக்கும் தமிழ் வினாத்தாளில் ஒவ்வொரு கேள்விக்குக் கீழேயும் அ, ஆ, இ, ஈ, என்று எழுத்துக்களை குறிப்பிட்டிருக்கிறார்கள். இந்த எழுத்துக்கள் எதைக் குறிக்கின்றன என்று தெரிவிக்க வேண்டுகிறேன்.

MR. CHAIRMAN : They refer to the clauses.